

# Maryland Board of Pharmacy Public Meeting Agenda

May 21, 2008

Name	Title	Today's Attendance		Year-to-Date Attendance	
		Present	Absent	Present	Absent
Anderson, C.	Commissioner		x	4	1
Bonnett, M.	Commissioner		x	4	1
Bradley-Baker, L.	Commissioner	x		5	0
Chason, D.	Commissioner/Secretary	x		5	0
Finke, H.	Commissioner	x		5	0
Handelman, M.	Commissioner	x		4	1
Israbian-Jamgochian, L.	Commissioner	x		5	0
Leandre, A.	Commissioner	x		5	0
Souranis, M.	Commissioner/Treasurer	x		5	0
Taylor, D.	Commissioner/President	x		5	0
Taylor, R.	Commissioner	x		5	0
Zimmer, R.	Commissioner	x		5	0
Bethman, L.	Board Counsel	x		5	0
Costley, S.	Licensing Manager	x		5	0
Jeffers, A.	Legislation/Regulations Manager	x		5	0
Eversley, C.	Compliance Investigator		x	4	1
Naesea, L.	Executive Director		excused	4	1 excused
Gaither, P.	Administration and Public Support Manager	x		5	0
Goodman, S.	Public Information Officer	x		5	0
Banks, T.	MIS Manager		x	4	1
Taylor, A.	Compliance Officer	x		5	0

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I. Introductions	Donald Taylor, Board President	<p>Members of the Board with a conflict of interest relating to any item on the agenda were asked to notify the Board at this time.</p> <p>1. D. Taylor reported that he had attended the University of Maryland, School of Pharmacy Commencement to administer the "Pharmacist's Oath" to the 112 graduates.</p> <p>2. D. Taylor reported on the results of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP) Annual Meeting in Baltimore from May 17 to May 22.</p> <p>a. Maryland Board members and staff attended seminars on teen addiction to prescription medications, internet pharmacies, drug pedigree programs and an update on USP 797.</p> <p>b. Board staff members, L. Naesea, P. Gaither, staffed the information booth and provided a display that included two gift baskets that were raffled off to attendees.</p> <p>c. The California Board reported that their Pedigree legislation will not be enforced until 2011.</p> <p>d. The Kentucky Board of Pharmacy has worked with SansWrite®, a software developer to provide software and hardware for pharmacy inspectors to use in the field. The Maryland Board will schedule a demonstration to assess the software program for use in Maryland.</p> <p>e. Many organizations provided displays including the University of Maryland. The Maryland display focused on promoting public health opportunities in the Experiential Learning Program</p>		

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		<p>f. ACPE has recommended changes to their requirements for Continuing Pharmacist Education (CPE)</p> <p>g. NABP is proposing changes to their licensure requirements to require additional hours of pre-licensure practical training that will mandate a total of 1740 hours.</p> <p>h. NABP is proposing that all pharmacies be accredited.</p> <p>i. NABP is proposing that they develop a nationwide database of volunteers for emergency preparedness. The data base would be followed by development of a nationwide identification system for pharmacists.</p> <p>j. NABP is proposing the development of a nationwide system for licensure of pharmacists so that pharmacists could practice across state lines and perform in programs such as “telepharmacy” across state lines.</p> <p>k. NABP is recommending the development of a national standard for prescription label formatting.</p> <p>3. D. Taylor provided an outline of the Resolutions that were proposed at the NABP meeting. The Resolutions heard at the meeting differed from those that were provided to the Maryland Board at the April meeting.</p> <p>a. Resolution 104-1-08, TALL MAN Lettering Utilization for Look-Alike Drug Names. This resolution was passed by vote of the delegates.</p> <p>b. Resolution 104-2-08, Standardized Intern Registration. This resolution was passed by vote of the delegates.</p> <p>c. Resolution 104-3-08, Task Force on Uniform Prescription Labeling Requirements. This resolution was passed by vote of the delegates.</p> <p>d. Resolution 104-4-08, Task Force on Standardized Pharmacy Technician Education and Training. This resolution was passed by vote of the delegates.</p> <p>e. Resolution 104-5-08, Task Force on Medication Collection Programs. This resolution was passed by vote of the delegates.</p> <p>f. Resolution 104-6-08, Behind-the Counter Class of Drugs. This resolution was passed by vote of the delegates.</p> <p>g. Resolution 104-7-08, Pharmacy Technology Assessment by NABP. This resolution was not heard based on a vote of the delegates.</p> <p>h. Resolution 104-8-08 Resolution 104-1-08, Teen Prescription Medication Abuse. This resolution was amended to broaden the language to all medications With other clarifying language and passed by vote of the delegates.</p> <p>i. Resolution 104-9-08, Recognition Resolution. This resolution was passed by vote of the delegates.</p> <p>4. D. Taylor express appreciation to P. Gaither, A. Taylor, L. Naesea, Anna Jeffers, Tamarra Banks, and S. Goodman for their staffing of the Registration Desk and the Board Desk at the educational session during the NABP Annual meeting. S. Goodman also obtained give-away items from area vendors that were handed out at the Board’s information booth and helped with planning for the events and meals.</p> <p>5. D. Taylor asked the Commissioners to complete the Board officer ballots provided in the Board packet. D. Taylor announced that C. Anderson withdrew her</p>		

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		<p>name from the nomination for Secretary. D. Taylor asked for any further nominations from the floor and Commissions were told that they could write in additional names on the ballots.</p> <p>6. D. Taylor presented a draft letter to Wholesale Prescription Drug and Device Distributors. The letter was modified to add December 1, 2008 as the date that the new regulations will be initiated.</p>	<p>7. Motion: M. Souranis moved to approve the letter as amended. H. Finke seconded the motion</p>	<p>7. Board Action: The Board voted to approve the motion.</p>
II. Approval of the Minutes	Donald Taylor, Board President	<p>Revisions to Minutes: Approval of Minutes: April 16, 2008</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Page 4, Section V. Resolution 4, Change "NASBP" to "NABP."</li> <li>2. Page 6, Section VII. 1. Legislation, Item 3, Remove "Revisions to existing Pharmacy statutes were withdrawn." Add "The requirement that PBM's be registered as nonresident pharmacies was removed from the legislation."</li> <li>3. Page 8, Section VII. 2. Regulations, A, .14, Remove "neck." Add "above the waist."</li> <li>4. Page 8, Section VII. 2. Regulations C. Remove "A pharmacist would be responsible only for a good faith investigation as to number and nature of any medications."</li> <li>5. Page 9, Section IX, 2. Second sentence, substitute "The" for "They."</li> <li>6. Page 9, Section X, 1. Remove the last sentence and add a new Item #13 on Page 11. "The MIS staff is assisting the DDC in writing documentation for on-line reporting of inspections."</li> <li>7. Page 10, Section X, Action/Results, Action Item 8, remove "schedule a group picture of Commissioners" and retain the remainder of the sentence.</li> <li>8. Page 10. Section X, Item 9 Remove "and including"</li> <li>9. Page 13, Section XIV. 2, Remove "running list" and Add "status report"</li> <li>10. Page 13, Section XVI, 3. Change "form" to "forms."</li> </ol>	<p>Motion: M. Souranis moved to accept the minutes as amended. M.Handelman seconded the motion.</p>	<p>Board Action: The Board voted to approve the minutes as amended.</p>
III. Executive Director	<p>LaVerne Naesea, Executive Director,</p> <p>Donald Taylor, President</p>	<p>D. Taylor provided a status report on personnel and operational issues.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Executive Secretary position was offered to an applicant.</li> <li>2. The DHMH internal audit is still in process. Minor issues have been reported to the staff but to date no major issues have been reported.</li> <li>3. D. Taylor announced the new Committee chairs. R. Taylor will chair the Disciplinary Committee, C. Anderson will chair the Licensing Committee and R. Zimmer will chair the Practice Committee effective in June 2008. Other Committee memberships will be reviewed and Commissioners wishing to serve on a new Committee should contact the President.</li> </ol>		<p>3. Action Item: Commissioners to notify D. Taylor regarding interest in Committee assignments.</p>
IV. Board Council Report	Linda Bethman,	No Report		

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V. Division of Drug Control	Ann Taylor, Compliance Officer	<div>1. A. Taylor presented the Division of Drug Control Report for April 2008.</div> <table><tr><th>Type</th><th>Total</th><th>Retail</th><th>Institutional</th><th>Distributors</th></tr><tr><td>Inspections</td><td>83</td><td>77</td><td>6</td><td>0</td></tr><tr><td>Opening</td><td>7</td><td>5</td><td>0</td><td>2</td></tr><tr><td>Closing</td><td>7</td><td>6</td><td>0</td><td>1</td></tr><tr><td>Special Investigations</td><td>5</td><td>5</td><td>0</td><td>0</td></tr></table> <div>2. A. Taylor reported on the progress of the transition plan for Board managed pharmacy inspections. In-house training is progressing and will be followed by Board inspectors accompanying DDC inspectors on regular inspections. Training on specialty inspections will be scheduled.</div> <div>3. Interviews for the last pharmacy technician inspector position are being scheduled. The pharmacist inspector position remains open and may require modification of the position salary to facilitate receipt of new applicants.</div>	Type	Total	Retail	Institutional	Distributors	Inspections	83	77	6	0	Opening	7	5	0	2	Closing	7	6	0	1	Special Investigations	5	5	0	0		
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VI. PEAC Report	Milton Moskowitz P.E.A.C.	<div>1. M. Moskowitz reported that A. Tommassello has resigned his faculty position at the University of Maryland effective August 1, 2008. A. Tommassello will begin a position in industry but will remain active as president of PEAC.</div> <div>2. M. Moskowitz reported PEAC has been renamed the Pharmacists Educations and Advocacy Council</div> <div>3. M. Moskowitz presented the PEAC report for April 2008 summarized in the following chart.</div> <table><tr><th>Category</th><th>Total</th></tr><tr><td>Pharmacist</td><td>12</td></tr><tr><td>Technician</td><td>1</td></tr><tr><td>Pharmacy Student</td><td>3</td></tr><tr><td>Total Self Referred</td><td>16</td></tr></table> <table><tr><td>Drug Test Results</td><td>44</td></tr><tr><td>Positive Urine Results</td><td>2</td></tr><tr><td>Client Discharges</td><td>0</td></tr><tr><td>New Cases</td><td>1</td></tr><tr><td>Self Referrals transferred to the Board</td><td>0</td></tr><tr><td>Board Cases requesting PEAC assistance</td><td>6</td></tr></table>	Category	Total	Pharmacist	12	Technician	1	Pharmacy Student	3	Total Self Referred	16	Drug Test Results	44	Positive Urine Results	2	Client Discharges	0	New Cases	1	Self Referrals transferred to the Board	0	Board Cases requesting PEAC assistance	6					
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VII. Legislation and Regulations	Anna Jeffers Legislation and Regulation Manager Report	<div>1. Legislation</div> <div>A. Jeffers announced that the Bill Signing for HB 233 – Physicians and Pharmacists – Therapy Management Contracts, will be held on May 22,2008.</div>																											

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		<p>2.Regulations</p> <p>a. A. Jeffers presented the proposal for changes to the Fee Regulations COMAR 10.34.09.02 Fees;</p> <table><tr><td>Pharmacist</td><td>Fee</td></tr><tr><td>Examination</td><td>\$100</td></tr><tr><td>Reciprocity</td><td>\$120</td></tr><tr><td>Renewal</td><td>\$150</td></tr><tr><td>Maryland Health Care Commission Fee</td><td>variable</td></tr><tr><td>Reinstatement</td><td>\$315</td></tr><tr><td>Reinstatement after two years</td><td>\$330</td></tr></table> <table><tr><td>Pharmacy</td><td>Fee</td></tr><tr><td>Initial License</td><td>\$300</td></tr><tr><td>Renewal</td><td>\$250</td></tr><tr><td>Late Fee between December 2 and January 31</td><td>\$150</td></tr><tr><td>Reinstatement After January 31</td><td>\$550</td></tr></table> <table><tr><td>Distributor</td><td>Fee</td></tr><tr><td>Initial License</td><td>\$1,000</td></tr><tr><td>Renewal</td><td>\$1,000</td></tr><tr><td>Reinstatement</td><td>\$1,500</td></tr></table> <table><tr><td>Technician</td><td>Fee</td></tr><tr><td>Registration</td><td>\$45</td></tr><tr><td>Renewal</td><td>\$45</td></tr><tr><td>Reinstatement</td><td>\$45</td></tr><tr><td>Pharmacy Student Exemption</td><td>\$45</td></tr><tr><td>Duplicate Registration</td><td>\$10</td></tr></table> <table><tr><td>Other</td><td>Fee</td></tr><tr><td>Duplicate License or Permit</td><td>\$30</td></tr><tr><td>Written Verification of Good Standing</td><td>\$25</td></tr><tr><td>Returned Check</td><td>\$25</td></tr><tr><td>Rosters Printed on Labels</td><td>\$150</td></tr><tr><td>Failure to Maintain Address</td><td>\$25</td></tr></table> <p>Commissioners requested that the fee for returned checks be changed to mimic the charges required by banks,so they increased the returned check fee to \$35.</p> <p>The fees will be posted on the website and distributed in renewal notices after they</p>	Pharmacist	Fee	Examination	\$100	Reciprocity	\$120	Renewal	\$150	Maryland Health Care Commission Fee	variable	Reinstatement	\$315	Reinstatement after two years	\$330	Pharmacy	Fee	Initial License	\$300	Renewal	\$250	Late Fee between December 2 and January 31	\$150	Reinstatement After January 31	\$550	Distributor	Fee	Initial License	\$1,000	Renewal	\$1,000	Reinstatement	\$1,500	Technician	Fee	Registration	\$45	Renewal	\$45	Reinstatement	\$45	Pharmacy Student Exemption	\$45	Duplicate Registration	\$10	Other	Fee	Duplicate License or Permit	\$30	Written Verification of Good Standing	\$25	Returned Check	\$25	Rosters Printed on Labels	\$150	Failure to Maintain Address	\$25	<p>2. a. Motion: M.Handelman moved to amend the proposed regulations to increase the returned check fee to \$35. H. Finke seconded the motion.</p> <p>Motion: L. Israbian-Jamgochian moved to approve the proposed regulations as amended. M. Souranis seconded the motion.</p>	<p>2. a. Board Action: The Board voted to approve the amendment.</p> <p>Board Action: The Board voted to approve the fee structure in COMAR 10.34.09.02.</p>
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		<p>become effective.</p> <p>b. A. Jeffers presented the proposal for changes to COMAR 10.34.19.01 - .03, .06, .09 - .11, .13 - .15 Sterile Pharmaceutical Compounding</p> <p>c. A. Jeffers presented the proposal for changes to the Nursing Regulations contained in COMAR 10.27.04 - Dispensing in Methadone Clinics. After review of the proposed changes, the discussion was tabled and returned to the Practice Committee for revision and re-proposal.</p> <p>d. A. Jeffers reported that the Practice Committee is working on revisions to COMAR 10.34.28-Automation Regulations, 10.32.32-Influenza Regulations and 10.34.13.01 Licensee Dispensing</p>	<p>b. Motion: R. Zimmer moved to approve the proposed revision. D. Chason seconded the motion.</p>	<p>b. Board Action: The Board voted to approve the proposed changes to the Regulations in COMAR 10.34.19.01.</p> <p>c. Action Item: Practice Committee to revise and re-propose the regulation.</p> <p>d. Action Item: Practice Committee to present proposed revisions at June 2008 meeting if the revisions have been completed.</p>
VIII. Administration & Public Support	Patricia Gaither, Administration and Public Support Manager	<p>1. P. Gaither reported that the new Executive Secretary will begin work on June 5, 2008 and the new Secretary/Receptionist will begin work on June 9, 2008. Interviews for the Pharmacy Technician inspector have been scheduled. There are no current applicants for the Pharmacist Inspector position.</p> <p>2. P. Gaither reported that the Draft PEAC Report has been sent to T. Tommassello and a response has been received. A letter asking for clarification of Finding #2 was sent to PEAC.</p> <p>3. P. Gaither reported that the Pharmacist Rehabilitation Contract is in draft form and ready for review by R. Taylor and H. Finke.</p>		<p>1. Action Item: Interviews for the Pharmacy Technician Inspector position scheduled and are to be completed by the end of May.</p> <p>2. Board is waiting for PEAC's response.</p> <p>3. Action Item: P. Gaither to provide draft Contract for review by R. Taylor and H. Finke.</p>
IX. Public Information Officer Report	Summar Goodman, Public Information Officer	<p>1. S. Goodman reported that the Public Relations Committee did not meet in May.</p> <p>2. S. Goodman reported that the Flower Mart held on Friday, May 2, 2008 was a success and the Board won the prize for the best booth and P. Gaither won a prize in the hat contest.</p> <p>3. S. Goodman reported that the Annual Report is in development and will be presented to the Board at the June meeting.</p> <p>4. S. Goodman requested articles for the Summer Newsletter.</p> <p>5. S. Goodman reported that the Public Relations Committee is looking for student artists to develop the new Board logo.</p>		<p>3. Action Item: S. Goodman to provide the Annual Report at the June 2008 meeting.</p>

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X. Management Information Services	<p>Banks, MIS Manager</p> <p>Donald Taylor, President</p>	<p>D. Taylor provided a summary of the written report.</p> <p>1. The report included a summary of the e-mail trends for 2007 and 2008 to date.</p> <p>2. The use of the public websites is increasing each month this year.</p> <table><tr><th>Month</th><th>Totals</th></tr><tr><td>February 2008</td><td>11,885</td></tr><tr><td>March 2008</td><td>14,439</td></tr><tr><td>April 2008</td><td>14,345</td></tr></table> <p>The primary use was classified by each site and the issues addressed. Issues included pharmacy technicians, license verification, retrieval, legislation and score verification.</p> <p>3. T. Banks attended the Daly Technology Showcase to research purchases of laptop computers, scanners and other technology.</p>	Month	Totals	February 2008	11,885	March 2008	14,439	April 2008	14,345		
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XI. Practice Committee	<p>David Chason, Chair</p>	<p>1. D. Chason presented the draft letter from the Practice Committee to the D.E.A. that had been requested by the Board at the April 2008 meeting. Board Commissioners recommended revisions to the letter with a reference to what the letter pertains to</p> <p>a. Remove the reference to "Schedule II controlled substances" in the first sentence and replace the phrase with "all scheduled controlled substances"</p> <p>b. Remove the word "suggest" in the second paragraph and replace it with "requests."</p> <p>2. D. Chason presented the Practice Committee's proposed responses to Public Inquiries.</p> <p>a. Martha Russell, Cardinal Health, requested clarification of the Board's position in reference to the recently approved Distributor Regulations on the classification of combination products containing medical-surgical supplies and pharmaceutical products and the use of NDC numbers by repackaging companies.</p> <p>Summary response-The Practice Committee recommended following the FDA classification of combination products as devices. The Board also agreed with Ms. Russell's interpretation that when you purchase from a repackager that places their own NDC number and own labeling on the products they repackage, that the purchase would be considered a purchase from the manufacturer and within the normal distribution channel for pedigree purposes.</p> <p>b. Marie Mason, Carolina Pharmaceuticals, Inc., requested information on the requirement for a distributor to assure that purchases by that distributor from a licensed pharmacy did not exceed the 5% limitation on annual sales of the retail pharmacy and what would occur if the sales did exceed the limit.</p> <p>Summary response- The Practice Committee recommended a response indicating that the distributor must practice due diligence with any seller including, but not limited to, developing a written contract containing an attestation that the pharmacy will not exceed the limitation. Any pharmacy the exceeds the limit is acting as a distributor and if not licensed to do so is in violation of Maryland Law.</p>	<p>1. Motion: M. Souranis moved to approve the letter as amended. R. Zimmer seconded the motion.</p> <p>a. Motion: D. Chason moved to approve the letter as presented. H. Finke seconded the motion.</p> <p>b. Motion: M. Souranis moved to approve the letter as amended. H. Finke seconded the motion.</p>	<p>1. Board Action: The Board voted to approve the motion.</p> <p>a. Board Action: The Board voted to approve that motion as amended.</p> <p>b. Board Action: The Board voted to approve the motion.</p>								

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		<p>Board Commissioners recommended revisions to the letter.</p> <p>1. In the answer to the second question add the word “purchasing ” Before the words “wholesale distributor.”</p> <p>2. In the answer to the third question add the words “that are” before the words “not pharmacies with a waiver.”</p> <p>c. Ron Keech, Village Green Apothecary, requested information on the requirement for a pharmacy to compound d-amphetamine for a placebo controlled, double blind research study.</p> <p>Summary response- The Practice Committee recommended a response indicating that the pharmacy would be required to:</p> <p>(1) provide the medications in patient specific prescriptions;</p> <p>(2) become an un-blinded sub-investigator; and</p> <p>(3) exercise extreme caution in compounding and packaging controlled substances.</p>	<p>c. Motion: R. Zimmer moved to approve the letter as presented. H. Finke seconded the motion.</p>	<p>c. Board Action: The Board voted to approve the motion.</p>																																								
XII. Licensing Committee	<p>Michael Souranis, Chair</p> <p>Shirley Costley, Licensing Manager</p>	<p>1. M. Souranis provided the Licensing Report for the month of April 2008.</p> <table><tr><th>Pharmacists and Technicians</th><th>Totals</th></tr><tr><td>Pharmacists</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Total Registered</td><td>8076</td></tr><tr><td>In-state</td><td>5511</td></tr><tr><td>Out of state</td><td>2565</td></tr><tr><td>Technicians Registered</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Total Registered</td><td>464</td></tr><tr><td>Grandfathered</td><td>248</td></tr><tr><td>Nationally Certified</td><td>205</td></tr><tr><td>Student Exemption</td><td>8</td></tr><tr><td>Reciprocity</td><td>3</td></tr></table> <table><tr><th>Distributors</th><th>Totals</th></tr><tr><td>Total Distributors</td><td>869</td></tr><tr><td>In-state</td><td>176</td></tr><tr><td>Out of state</td><td>693</td></tr></table> <table><tr><th>Pharmacies</th><th>Totals</th></tr><tr><td>Total Licensed Pharmacies</td><td>1593</td></tr><tr><td>In state</td><td>1129</td></tr><tr><td>Out of state</td><td>359</td></tr><tr><td>Waiver</td><td>105</td></tr></table>	Pharmacists and Technicians	Totals	Pharmacists		Total Registered	8076	In-state	5511	Out of state	2565	Technicians Registered		Total Registered	464	Grandfathered	248	Nationally Certified	205	Student Exemption	8	Reciprocity	3	Distributors	Totals	Total Distributors	869	In-state	176	Out of state	693	Pharmacies	Totals	Total Licensed Pharmacies	1593	In state	1129	Out of state	359	Waiver	105		
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XV. New Business	Donald Taylor, Board President	1. D. Taylor reported that the State of Maryland Office of Emergency Preparedness has scheduled a State wide drill from June 16th through June 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2008. The Board of Pharmacy will participate at the RSS site. C. Anderson will serve as the lead for the Emergency Preparedness Task Force of the Board.																																				
XVI. Informational	Donald Taylor, Board President	<div>M. Handelman requested that the Board declare a position on the proposed revisions to the Long Term Care regulations in reference to a formal method of providing leave of absence medications that insures the safety of the patient by preventing medication errors.</div> <div>D. Taylor read the Board's response to the OHCQ's proposed regulations: The Board takes no exception to the language as proposed; as it does improve safety for residents in nursing homes who require their medications when leaving on short-term leave of absence (LOA). The Board will be reviewing its current related statute(s) to determine whether future amendments are necessary to allow the Board to suggest procedures to enhance the OCHQ's ability to assure medication</div>																																				

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XVII. Adjournment	Donald Taylor, Board President	The Public Meeting was adjourned at 10:59 AM. Immediately thereafter, Donald Taylor convened an Administrative Session for purposes of discussing confidential disciplinary cases. With the exception of cases requiring recusals, the Board members present at the Public Meeting continued to participate in the Administrative Session.	Motion: M. Souranis moved to adjourn the Public Meeting. L. Israbian- Jamgochian seconded the motion	Board Action: The Board voted unanimously to adjourn the Public Meeting.

Approved by: D. Taylor, President  
D. Chason, Secretary  
L. Naesea, Executive Director